

MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Gary M. Doyle Center
Bloomfield Hills Public Schools
7275 Wing Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48301

July 12, 2005
9:00 a.m.

Present: Mr. Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman
Mrs. Kathleen N. Straus, President
Mrs. Carolyn L. Curtin, Secretary
Mrs. Marianne Yared McGuire, Treasurer
Mrs. Nancy Danhof, NASBE Delegate
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Bauer
Mr. Reginald Turner
Mrs. Eileen Lappin Weiser
Ms. Sue C. Carnell, representing Governor Jennifer M. Granholm,
ex officio

Absent: Mr. John C. Austin, Vice President

Also Present: Mr. Daniel Schab, 2005-2006 Michigan Teacher of the Year

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

II. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MRS. KATHLEEN N. STRAUS

Mrs. Straus requested a personal privilege to welcome Mr. Michael P. Flanagan as the new Superintendent of Public Instruction. She said he joined the Department on July 3, 2005, and this is his first meeting as Chairman of the State Board of Education. She said the Board looks forward to working together to improve public education in Michigan.

Mrs. Straus said Mr. Austin is absent today, because he is representing the Governor's Office and State Board of Education on a goodwill mission to Japan.

III. AGENDA FOLDER ITEMS

A. Revised Map (Related to Item W)

- B. Update on Legislative Priorities (Related to Item Y)
- C. Report on Consent Agenda

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF PRIORITY

- A. Discussion Regarding July 28, 2005, Meeting Regarding Improving Outcomes for High School Students – added to agenda

Mrs. Straus requested that the following item be added to the Committee of the Whole:

- B. Report on High School Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) Scores

Mrs. Danhof asked that the following items be moved from the consent agenda to discussion:

- C. Approval of Grade Level Content Expectations for Social Studies
- D. Approval of the University of Phoenix as a Teacher Preparation Institution with Limited Probationary Approval
- E. Approval of Rochester College as a Teacher Preparation Institution with Probationary Approval

V. INTRODUCTION OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS, DEPARTMENT STAFF, AND GUESTS

Mrs. Eileen Hamilton, State Board Executive, introduced members of the State Board of Education, Department staff, and guests.

Mrs. Hamilton thanked the staff of Bloomfield Hills Public Schools for hosting the Board meeting.

Mr. Turner joined the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

VI. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MR. MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan thanked Bloomfield Hills Superintendent Steven Gaynor for hosting the meeting.

Mr. Flanagan presented a video clip of the “Lion King” depicting a cub held overhead and revered by the entire animal kingdom. Mr. Flanagan said each child should be honored regardless of challenges, gifts, race, or religion. He said whatever the abilities of the children in our joint care, we are challenged to make sure that no child is left behind, opening doors for all children.

Mr. Flanagan presented Dr. Jeremy Hughes with the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators Education Fellows Award. Mr. Flanagan said Dr. Hughes is being honored as a true leader, quality public servant, and genuine champion of public education.

VII. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MRS. NANCY DANHOF

Mrs. Danhof announced that the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) will award Dr. Herbert Moyer the Distinguished Service Award at NASBE's annual conference in October, 2005. She said Dr. Moyer is a former State Board of Education member who has exemplified true leadership and sincere commitment to bettering the lives of students.

VIII. INTRODUCTION OF BI-NATIONAL TEACHERS

Dr. Yvonne Caamal Canul, Director, Office of School Improvement, said last year the Department began a Bi-National Teachers Exchange Program with Mexico. She said the visiting teachers are working in migrant programs throughout the state, developing activities for teachers in general education and migrant education. Ms. Linda Forward, Title I Migrant Consultant, introduced Estela Garcia Velazquez, Nicandro Sarellano Cruz, Israel Espino Rivera, Martin Ramos Padilla, Jose Corona Saldivar, and Jose Roman Valencia Galindo. Ms. Valazquez shared comments regarding the group's visit to Michigan.

IX. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 9:35 a.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

X. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion Regarding Grade Level Content Expectations for Social Studies

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Yvonne Caamal Canul, Director, Office of School Improvement
- Ms. Betty Underwood, Assistant Director, Curriculum and Instruction, Office of School Improvement

- Dr. Jeremy Hughes, Chief Academic Officer
- Dr. Joseph Stoltman, Social Studies Task Force Chairman, Western Michigan University

The following Social Studies Task Force members offered comments:

- The Honorable Michael David Warren, Jr., Judge, Oakland County Circuit Court
- Ms. Dahia I. Shabaka, Detroit Public Schools
- Dr. Amy Bloom, Oakland Schools
- Dr. Roy Sovis, Jackson Intermediate School District
- Dr. Michael Libbee, Central Michigan University

The following individuals offered comments:

- Mr. Tom Costello, Michigan Council for Social Studies
- Ms. Jeri Rinschler, Birmingham Public Schools Board Member

XII. RECESS

The Board recessed the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 11:30 a.m. until 11:50 a.m.

XIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (continued)

A. Discussion Regarding Grade Level Content Expectations for Social Studies (continued)

Staff will reconvene the Social Studies Task Force to discuss concerns raised by members of the Board and individual members of the Task Force, and to report back to the Board at its September meeting.

In addition, staff will to provide the Office of School Improvement protocol for curriculum development to members of the Board prior to its August meeting.

XIV. RECESS

The Board recessed the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 1:25 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

XV. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

- A. Approval of Minutes of Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 14, 2005

Mrs. McGuire moved, seconded by Mrs. Straus, that the State Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 14, 2005.

**Ayes: Bauer, Curtin, Danhof, McGuire, Straus
Absent During Vote: Turner, Weiser
Absent: Austin**

The motion carried.

XVI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Education Delivery System and School Finance

Mrs. Straus said on June 16, 2005, she and Mrs. Curtin had a follow-up meeting with Representative Craig DeRoche, Speaker of the House; Representative Brian Palmer, Chairman of the House Education Committee; Representative John Moolenaar, Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on State Aid; and Mr. Robert Morris, Legislative Director. She said the topic was the Board's proposed study of delivery of education services and their costs. Speaker DeRoche, Representative Palmer, and Representative Moolenaar were still in support of adding partial funding for the study to the State Aid bill. Mrs. Straus said, to date, that has not occurred; however Mr. Morris will continue to work with the Speaker and his colleagues as the appropriations process moves forward.

- B. Meeting with Nancy Flanagan and Lauren Childs

Mrs. Straus said she had a very pleasant meeting with Ms. Nancy Flanagan, a former Michigan Teacher of the Year, and Milken Educator; and Ms. Lauren Childs, Oakland Schools; to discuss the work of the Educator Network, and how these outstanding teachers and educators can be valuable resources to the Board.

- C. Legislative Subcommittee Meeting

Mrs. Straus said Mrs. Curtin, Mrs. McGuire, and she were in Lansing for a Legislative Subcommittee Meeting on June 21, 2005. She said the purpose of the Subcommittee is to discuss

current bills and issues the Board might want to initiate. She said all Board members were provided a copy of a Legislative Notebook containing legislation, bill analyses, and status reports on the legislation. She said updates will be mailed so that Board members can maintain a current notebook.

D. Alternative Schools

Mrs. Straus said she met with directors of adult and alternative education programs on June 23, 2005, in Lansing. Ms. Carol Edinger, Facilitator of the Alternative Education Focus Group, established by Michigan Association of Community and Adult Education, invited her to attend and it was a very informative meeting. She said she was pleased to learn of the wide range of alternative education programs in large and small school districts in rural and urban settings. Mrs. Straus said she believes it is important for alternative education to be represented during the upcoming discussions regarding high school, as well as having alternative education programs as a presentation topic at a future Board meeting.

E. NCREL Board of Directors Meeting

Mrs. Straus said she attended a meeting of the Board of Directors of North Central Regional Educational Lab on July 28-29, 2005, in Illinois. She said there were presentations on high school reform by several states, which will be useful during the Board's discussions at the July 28, 2005, meeting on improving outcomes for high school students.

XVII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Reports

- L. Human Resources Report
- M. Report on Department of Education Cosponsorships
- N. Report on a Modification to the Previously Approved Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services
- O. Report on Modifications to the Previously Approved Newaygo County Regional Educational Service Agency Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services
- P. Report on the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services

- Q. Report on the Copper Country Intermediate School District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services
- R. Report on a Modification to the Previously Approved Wexford-Missaukee ISD Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services

Grants

- S. 2004-2005 National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Candidate Subsidy Grants – Amendment
- T. 2003-2005 Teacher Quality Enhancement Sub-Grant – Amendment
- U. 2005 Mathematics and Science Partnership Grant – Initial
- V. 2004-2005 United States Department of Education, Charter School Grant Program – Initial
- W. 2004-2005 USDOE, Charter School Grant Program, Competitive Start-Up Grant, Tenth Cycle – Continuation
- X. 2004-2005 Mandated Activities Projects, Part B – Amendment

XVIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

- A. Mr. Robert Kakos, 17180 Evans Street, Southfield, Michigan 48076. Mr. Kakos, representing Wayne State University College of Engineering, shared oral and written information on curriculum alignment, technology, and professional development.
- B. Ms. Lily Au, 2586 Stone Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105. Ms. Au provided comments on reassignment of principals in the Ann Arbor School District.
- C. Ms. Shari Krishnan, 1550 Brandywine, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304. Ms. Krishnan shared comments and printed material on special education and the work of the Special Education Advisory Committee's.
- D. Ms. Florence Herrmann, 32510 Bellvine Trail, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025. Ms. Herrmann, representing the National Council of Jewish Women – Greater Detroit Section, provided comments and written material on charter schools.
- E. Ms. Lynne Tamor, 5345 Old Pond Way, West Bloomfield, Michigan 48323. Ms. Tamor provided comments on social studies and shared written materials.

XIX. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 2:08 p.m. to reconvene as a Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

XX. DISCUSSION ITEMS (continued)

B. Discussion on Redesign of The Blue Ribbon Schools Award Program

The following individual presented:

- Dr. Yvonne Caamal Canul, Director, Office of School Improvement

Based on the Board's discussion, staff will provide revised criteria to the Board at its September meeting.

C. Presentation on State Board of Education Policy on Schools of Choice and Title I Transfer Option

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Yvonne Caamal Canul, Director, Office of School Improvement
- Ms. Linda Brown, Assistant Director, Field Services Unit, Office of School Improvement
- Dr. Jeremy Hughes, Chief Academic Officer

D. Presentation on Recommendations of the All Kids in School Coalition

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Jeremy Hughes, Chief Academic Officer
- Ms. MaryAlice Galloway, Special Assistant to the Chief Academic Officer

The following individuals offered comments:

- Mr. Joseph Jackson, Detroit citizen
- Ms. Ruth Zweifler, Student Advocacy Center
- Ms. Peri Stone-Palmquist, Graduate Student, Public Policy and Social Work, University of Michigan

Mrs. Weiser asked that staff review the information provided by All Kids in School Action Coalition and Michigan Association for Children with Emotional Disorders.

Mr. Schab offered to help with the zero tolerance issue in any way he can.

Mr. Turner said further discussion should occur regarding ways to implement staff recommendations through Board policies or legislation.

The Model Code of Student Conduct will be updated and presented to the Board at its September meeting.

- E. Discussion Regarding A Moratorium on Granting Preliminary Approval to Institutions for the Initial Preparation of Teachers to Extend From July 12, 2005, Through July 30, 2008

By consensus, this item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints.

- F. Discussion Regarding University of Phoenix as a Teacher Preparation Institution with Limited Probationary Approval

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Dr. Catherine Smith, Supervisor, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Ms. Sue Wittick, Consultant, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Dr. Jerry Robbins, retired, Dean of Education, Eastern Michigan University

Mr. Schab left the meeting at 4:18 p.m.

- G. Discussion Regarding Rochester College as a Teacher Preparation Institution with Probationary Approval

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Dr. Catherine Smith, Supervisor, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Ms. Sue Wittick, Consultant, Office of Professional Preparation Services

XXI. RECESS

The Board recessed the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 4:50 p.m. to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

XXII. DISCUSSION REGARDING UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX AS A TEACHER PREPARATION INSTITUTION WITH LIMITED PROBATIONARY APPROVAL

This item was removed from the consent agenda and placed under discussion. It was discussed earlier during the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Mrs. Straus moved, seconded by Mrs. Weiser, that the State Board of Education: (1) receive the report of the Committee of Scholars regarding the University of Phoenix professional education unit and proposed elementary program; and (2) grant limited probationary approval to the University of Phoenix professional education unit (initial level), as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated June 27, 2005.

Ayes: Curtin, McGuire, Straus, Turner, Weiser

Nay: Bauer, Danhof

Absent: Austin

The motion carried.

XXIII. DISCUSSION REGARDING ROCHESTER COLLEGE AS A TEACHER PREPARATION INSTITUTION WITH PROBATIONARY APPROVAL

This item was removed from the consent agenda and placed under discussion. It was discussed earlier during the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Mrs. Weiser moved, seconded by Mrs. Straus, that the State Board of Education: (1) receive the report of the Committee of Scholars regarding the Rochester College professional education unit and proposed elementary and secondary teacher preparation programs; (2) grant probationary approval to the Rochester College professional education unit (initial level) for three years (2005-2008); and (3) approve the Rochester College initial/undergraduate-level English, Language Arts, Social Studies, History, Biology, and Integrated Science programs, as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated June 27, 2005.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion.

**Austin – Absent
Bauer – Nay
Curtin – Nay
Danhof – Nay
McGuire – Nay
Straus – Aye
Turner – Abstain
Weiser – Aye**

The motion failed.

**XXIV. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN**

Mrs. Straus presented Approval of Agreement Between State Board of Education and Michael P. Flanagan.

Mrs. Straus said that at its meeting on May 18, 2005, the Board authorized Mrs. Straus and Mrs. Curtin to negotiate the agreement between the Board and Michael P. Flanagan. She said the Board is being asked to approve the agreement.

Mrs. Straus said that on June 14, 2005, the Board approved the salary (\$168,300 minus a five percent voluntary pay reduction), and the start date of July 3, 2005, for Mr. Flanagan's appointment as Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Mrs. Straus moved, seconded by Mrs. Weiser, that the State Board of Education approve the agreement between the Michigan State Board of Education and Michael P. Flanagan retroactive to July 3, 2005, as attached to the memorandum dated July 5, 2005, from Kathleen N. Straus.

**Ayes: Bauer, Curtin, Danhof, McGuire, Straus, Turner, Weiser
Absent: Austin**

The motion carried.

**XXV. DISCUSSION REGARDING JULY 28, 2005, MEETING REGARDING
IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Mrs. Straus presented Discussion Regarding the July 28, 2005, Meeting Regarding Improving Outcomes for High School Students.

Mrs. Straus distributed a tentative agenda for discussion regarding a meeting devoted solely to improving outcomes for high school students.

Mrs. Straus said this is an issue that is being discussed across the nation, and it benefits children, families, and the economy. She said the Board wants to create a culture of education regarding high school education and postsecondary education. She said staff of promising Michigan high school programs that deliver educational services in various forms will make presentations. She said this is also an opportunity to discuss the recommendations of the Lieutenant Governor's Commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth that were presented to the Board by the Lieutenant Governor on April 12, 2005.

Mrs. Weiser said it is important that the general public receives the information regarding high school. Mrs. Straus said Michigan Government Television will be broadcasting the meeting.

Mr. Flanagan said he is excited that Michigan will be one of the leaders in the effort to improve outcomes for high school students.

Mrs. Danhof moved, seconded by Mrs. Weiser, that the State Board of Education meet as a Committee of the Whole on July 28, 2005, to discuss improving outcomes for high school students.

Ayes: Bauer, Curtin, Danhof, McGuire, Straus, Turner, Weiser
Absent: Austin

The motion carried.

Mrs. Weiser left the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

XXVI. UPDATE ON STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

By consensus, this item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints.

XXVII. CONSENT AGENDA

There was no consent agenda. Items AA, CC, and DD were moved to discussion. Items BB, EE, and FF were removed, due to time constraints.

XXVIII. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 5:05 p.m. to reconvene as a Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

XXIX. DISCUSSION ITEMS (continued)

- H. Discussion Regarding the Three-Year Report on Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) Performance for 2001-2004

By consensus, this item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints.

- I. Presentation on the Proposed MDE Procedure for Identifying Teacher Preparation Institution Performance Scores

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Dr. Catherine Smith, Supervisor, Office of Professional Preparation Services
- Dr. Jerry Robbins, retired, Dean of Education, Eastern Michigan University

This item will be on the September agenda for approval.

Mr. Turner left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

- J. Discussion Regarding Professional Standards for Michigan Teachers and Related Proficiencies

By consensus, this item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints.

- K. Report on High School Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) Scores

By consensus, this item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints.

XXX. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 5:17 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 5:18 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

XXXI. COMMENTS BY STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

- A. Thank you to Bloomfield Hills Public Schools – Mrs. Kathleen Straus

Mrs. Straus said she wanted to extend special thanks to the staff of Bloomfield Hills Public Schools for hosting the meeting during their summer break. She said Mrs. Florence Atto, who assisted with the meeting arrangements, is the 2004-2005 Michigan School Support Person of the Year.

XXXII. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Mr. Flanagan said the items that were removed from today's agenda will be presented at a future meeting.

XXXIII. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. July 28, 2005 – Committee of the Whole Meeting Regarding Improving Outcomes for High School Students
- B. August 9, 2005 – MacDonald Middle School, East Lansing Public Schools, East Lansing
- C. September 13, 2005 – Wayne RESA, Wayne
- D. October 11, 2005 – Washtenaw ISD, Ann Arbor

XXXIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn L. Curtin
Secretary